

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-21 (Canceled)

Claim 22. (Currently Amended) A catheter system for treating a blood vessel lesion within a vasculature, said catheter system including:

a vascular filter guide wire being insertable and steerable through said vasculature to a position downstream of said lesion and being in contact with said vasculature during insertion;

a catheter having a lesion treatment device; and

said guide wire ~~for~~ being capable of directing said catheter to said lesion, said guide wire including a collapsible filter for manual deployment downstream of said catheter to trap particulate matter arising from the treatment of said lesion, wherein said filter is directly connected to said guide wire and said manual deployment of the filter occurs based on movement of said guide wire with a direct connection to said filter.

